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Education series & had mentioned the Union in his new book "Your Child's Health". It was suggested that the Secretary should write Mr. Tomshaw & give a copy of the book to the library.

- (d) Mr. Hoyle, Gloucester, reporting progress his complaining of loss of helpers.
- (e) Mr. Little asking that specimens Reviews etc. should be sent to Mr. Cuzor at Burghersdorp, he would probably introduce the Reviews to the Public Librarian & personal friends.
- (f) Mrs. Nott, Bristol who is placing her school on the register.
- (g) Mr. Wicksteed giving £1.10 a year towards the Propaganda Fund for two or 3 years.
- (h) Women's Employment Bureau, as attached. This was considered to be an excellent scheme & the Secretary was instructed to write expressing sympathy & to say that as soon as further details were forthcoming the Committee would be glad to have them in order that they might consider the question of joining. What they would like to do if it were within the means of the Union.

Conference Printing

Burleigh's original estimate for the printing of the Handbook was £7.10.0 but owing to some mis understanding re dates at the 11th hour Mr. Lock had received an intimation that so few advertisements were forthcoming that Burleigh feared the cost would not reach £10, after which they would do their best to keep the price low; after consultation with Mr. Franklin Mr. Lock accepted £10 estimate at the same time saying he relied on them to keep the price low if possible. There was a number

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of advertisements in the handbook, several advertisers paying a guinea a page. & Mr. Lock had therefore disputed the charge of £10 but with no result. It was decided that the charge that advertisement must be paid.

Conference 1909.

Mr. Frankline said that Birmingham had invited the Committee to hold the Conference there in 1909. A letter from Mr. Jordan Lloyd (Secretary) was read asking that the Conference might be in June rather than May, not over a week end & of 3 days duration rather than 4. The feeling of the Committee was that June was so difficult for Londoners to leave & that therefore if convenient to the Birmingham Committee it would be much better if the Conference took place in November. Mr. Jordan Lloyd also said that the Committee felt strongly that though they were inclined to enthusiasm, that they felt the Social side was ^{apt to be} too prominent at these Conferences. The Committee wished that many opportunities should be given for conversations with individuals & that this could really not be done by social functions, but they advocated that these functions should be as simple as possible.

Miss Parsh's Report

Sep. 21-12. attended Bristol Association meeting at. Dublin had did not learn much. Subjects were dealt with largely from the elementary standpoint & the financial side.

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Visited Teachers' to help a governors to start work with a class working in class in P.U.S. Mr. Loch said Mr. Neavey had written that the governors had gained much help from Mrs. Paine.

Sep 25-26-28 Attended Moral Education Congress.

Sep 29 A meeting at Haregate one new member & sold 17/3 books.

Sep 30 Oct 1st At Leeds, several new members joined.

Oct 5th Bradford where she had to listen to many complaints. At the Central Office, one of the chief being that Branches having a membership of less than 50 not being entitled to representation on the Committee - This was discussed at some length & it was finally suggested that Bradford should be invited to send a representative to Committee, without the power to vote, until the next Annual Meeting, & that at the Annual Meeting at which any Branch is ^{entitled to} representation, the Bradford Committee should suggest an alteration in the existing by laws. A complaint was also made that the P.M.E.U. did not allow itself to be represented on other Educational bodies & did not invite invitation to other Committees. Mr. FitzRoy said she had been asked to serve on the Moral Education Committee but unfortunately could not do so.

Oct 6. Salisbury, a very good meeting. 80 present.

Oct 7. A very good meeting & the desirability of forming a Branch is being considered. Sold literature to the value of 1.08

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Branches.

Brentford. Mr. Devonshire wrote that owing to the illness of the local Secretary who had been unable to do anything, the Branch was in a feeble state. Mr. Loch was instructed to say that it could be worked from the Central Office.

Hampstead. Mr. Glaser who was unable to be present, sent a message through the Secretary asking members to distribute amongst their friends cards for Mrs. Paine's meeting on 22nd.

Northwich. Mr. Frankham said that the question of Secretaryship had now been settled & that Mr. Russell Coleman had undertaken to keep the Branch going.

Scarborough. Mr. Walter Rea had given a most excellent presidential address at Scarborough - an innovation had been tried here. members reading passages selected themselves from books dealing with children.

Northwood was making excellent progress.

Home Safeguards.

Mr. Loch reported that the stock was almost out, she was instructed to make enquiries re a reprint.

Office News.

The Secretary reported 28 new Central members against 21 retired & 5 new subscribers to the Parents Review against 8 retired. There had been 133 callers & 295' had during the past 3 months.

Next Committee

Nov. 4th at 3, subject to the home secretary's letter of 11th, was suggested

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for the next Committee meeting.

Other Business

Mrs. Franklin said she felt that at meetings such as the
 Social Education Congress the P.N.S.U. ought to do more in the
 way of advertising. She felt that it would be an excellent
 thing if some one could be found to fill the vacan-
 cy in the Committee who would undertake to see that P.N.S.U.
 leaflets ^{literature} were at all such meetings & were properly distributed.
 Mrs. Franklin read a letter from Mrs. Wedgwood who was
 anxious that the P.N.S.U. should co-operate in a crusade
 against the cruel misnamed. It was felt that all that
 could be done was to suggest to Mrs. Wedgwood that she should
 write a letter to the Parents' Union.

M. Franklin

3 Nov.

The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria Street S.W. Tues Nov. 3rd 1908. 3 p.m.

Present.

The Hon. Mr. Franklin (in the chair),

Mr. Anson.

Mr. FitzRoy

" Howard Storer.

" Jennings (Brighton)

Mr. Louise Loder.

Mr. Thackeray (Trichley,

" Stirling

" Walter Rea (Hampstead)

" Whitaker Thompson (Hyd. Park)

Mr. Lock Seabury,

Miss Parrot. (Ass. Sec.)

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
 Arising out of the minutes Mr. Lock said Mr. Lytleton
 had agreed to let the Union have 1000 Home
 Page cards for £5. 10. as the matter was agreed.
 She had closed with this offer. Mr. Jordan says a work
 that the Conference could be held at. Boring Lane
 in the autumn but preferable in October than in
 November. A report from the National Council
 Employment Bureau (as attached) was read. The
 Secretary was instructed to sign & send a circular

The Sunday announced apologies for Mr. Huskisson.
Mr. Clement Parsons then spoke, Mr. W. W. W. & Mrs.
Zimmerman.

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Liabilities

2nd. Look over this and see not include the accounts for Parents Union School books which have not yet been received.

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- (a) Mr. Alston who has received a sympathetic letter from Mr. A. P. Benson, & who she thought should be asked to speak for the Union at one of the Conferences. Mr. Benson has been approached several times & has said time after time - "No, I am sorry I was too busy" & it was extremely improbable that he would speak.
- (b) Mr. Gaultney London Teachers Association offering a part Canadian Teacher visitor, London is in touch with the work of the Union - Mr. Lock since she has sent out pamphlets etc. to the London Teacher office - An invitation had been received for an address to be given to these teachers & Mr. Franklin has arranged for a meeting at Lady Grove's on Tue. 24th at 5.45 p.m., Mrs. Paul would address the meeting, making special reference to the work of the Parents Union School.
- The London Teachers Association are taking all the responsibility of the meeting & if the November meeting is well attended there will be subsequent meetings in December, January & March. Mrs. Gaultney has kindly consented to take the Chair.
- (c) Mr. Wade & Mr. Seymour express their appreciation of the Parents Union & Parents Review, the former says - "it has just helped her in bringing up her sons."
- (d) Mr. Gibbs asking the P.T.U. to appoint a delegate to serve on the English Committee of the Home Education Congress to be held in Bristol 1910. It was proposed that Mr. Franklin & himself & Mr. Roe.

Branch
Representation

that Mr. Jones who accepted, should come
 (1) Mr. Prosser ^{who had joined the} P.H.S. Negotiator who found the P.H.S. books excellent
 Mr. Franklin said that after the last meeting on reading
 the 4 laws 12, she thought that the
 Committee has not been quite in order in deciding on
 a constitutional change when the subject had not been
 previously appeared on the agenda. She then read the
 letter appended, which she had sent to Mr. Prosser.

The question of the number of subscribers entitled to
 Branch Representation on the Executive Committee was
 again discussed at great length, there being a strong feeling
 amongst some members of the Committee that the number
 should not be less than 50. After a very full discussion
 Mr. Anson proposed & Mr. Fyfe seconded that a
 special recommendation be sent to be discussed
 at the Council meeting viz that the number of members
 entitled to Branch Representation on the Executive
 Committee should be lowered to 40. A show of hands
 being taken the motion was carried by a majority of 3
 there being 5 for & 2 against. Mr. Franklin was
 asked to communicate with Mr. Prosser. Mrs. Mason
 has recently written that she considered the Council
 Parents' Meeting could not be an open field for all
 views that she did not think it particularly desirable
 that the Council should always be appearing at other

Preferences & that they could not do so when allowed to
 have their own views.

Branches.
Miss Parish's
Report.

Oct. 14. Woodford a good attendance.
 Sunbury an Branch meeting, which resulted in 10
 new members & a Talk & Nurses at which 17
 were present, this last was such a success that it
 was proposed there were.

23rd Hampshire, a Branch meeting.

Oct. 26, 30 Nov. 2nd ^{in connection with the 10th Branch Meeting} three of a series of Talks - the members
 had a subscription for these Talks.

Oct. 27. Great Boreham - Mr. Franklin led the choir.
 There were 7 new members & £1.19.8 subscription was
 sold.

Oct. 29 Rushmore Club, there were no members present but
 the Society prepared to do aside a special "At Home"
 day for a meeting at which Mrs. Parish should
 speak. The idea of speaking at this Club

has arisen for a meeting held at Mr. Jones home,
 Mr. Jones thought she would like her friends & children
 to have an opportunity of hearing Mrs. Parish.
 Mr. Franklin read letters from Mr. Collier, Mr. Lapsley
 & Mr. Brier all most appreciative of Mrs. Parish's
 addresses. At Wymouth a Reading Circle was being
 formed -

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Mr. Franklin said she had spoken at Ludalestro' when she had had a good meeting, 50 members had joined the Branch, 38 of whom were taking the Parents Review - At first Bortham a reading circle would be formed. The Hyde Park Talks given by Miss Parsh were excellent & someone had told Mr. Franklin that they were the best things she had heard in connection with the P.H. 1/4.

National Union
of Women Workers

Mr. Franklin said that she had spoken at Abenden. gave a paper on the Land Training of Boys & Girls in Citizenship. & that this had been favourably received was being issued by the N.U.W.W. in their ^{Report} ~~Occasional~~ paper, then sent to be obtained for the printer at a charge of 4/- for 200. It was proposed that the cost of binding 200 in a paper cover should be ascertained & that some should be ordered for sale at the office at 2/- each. Mr. Franklin said that a large number of enquiries had been made & that several new members had joined as a result of her work, also the Secs of the English Branch of the N.U.W.W. had promised that P.H.S.C. literature should be sold at their meetings. Mr. Franklin has at A^h been on account of the failure of Mr. Coates, addressed a meeting of mothers & then Mr. Alcock who was also speaking had expressed sympathy with the work.

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of the Union. One lady was going to send a copy of 'buntings' in a hamper of books sent - would be - women for the mothers' Union. Literature to the amount of £6.1.7 had been sold. Mr. Loe said that she thought a special vote of thanks were due to Mrs. Franklin who had given up much time to the sale of the literature, at other conferences of the N.U.W.W. the sales have amounted to about 13/. The contrast was most marked.

Reprinting
Pamphlet

Home Training is now out of print & Mrs. Loe has in order to make a reprint. Clapham was publishing the pamphlet - first in the Parents Review. A letter from Mr. F. B. on behalf of the Branch was read in which she said that that was a general feeling that the Recommended Gift Books was not up to date & that the Belgrave Branch wished to know if the P.H.S. would allow an additional list to be printed, including if possible a special French list, the Branch proposed having paid for the whole of the cost. After some discussion it was suggested that Mr. Nicholson & Mr. Ambrose should be asked to collaborate with Mr. Clapham. Parsons, should she be taking that addition be made & that Mr. Devonshire should be asked.

if the list of names in the National Review could also be included. It was suggested by the Society that the additional list should be inserted in appendix form & a small charge made for it. She was asked to obtain estimates for the appendix with & without a paper cover.

Home Education Series.

Mr. Franklin read that the Summer Translation of Vol. II of the Home Education series had been reviewed and received & that Vol. III would shortly be ready.

Three copies of Vol. II were handed round for the perusal of the members.

Branches.

East Cheshire had started well & 7 members were taking the Parents Review monthly. A most interesting letter from Mr. H. L. Harrison reporting progress of the work in S. Africa was recd. Mr. H. L. looked to address parents both in Pretoria & at the Cape. The letter was probably to be published in the Parents Review.

Office News.

Mr. Lock reported 22 new Central members against 10 retired. Also 2 members had been sent on to Worcester & one to Belper.

Mr. Somerville of Branch who was anxious to have a large meeting in January met Mr. Franklin to discuss

had called & discussed plans. She was going to see Mr. Franklin on the following Thursday. Mr. Warkworth had sent £2 for tickets for students to attend the Moral Education lectures, but as the money had been used & it was proposed to by the balance to Parker's report on Moral Education. Several arguments had been made after people had seen the Public Exhibit at the Franco-British Exhibition. There had been 27 classes & 50 heads at the office during the month.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Dec. 1st.

Mr. Franklin proposed & Mr. Stone seconded the election of Mr. F. H. as Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Dec: 2nd '08

Lytton

The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria St. S.W. December 2nd 1908 3 p.m.

Present

Lord Lytton (in the chair)

Mr Gerald Campbell

Mr Almeric Fitzroy

Mr Mr Franklin

Mr Hopwood (Northwood)

" Mackenlay (Finchley)

" Clement Parsons

Mr Schofield

Mr Lock (Sec)

Miss Parush (As. Dir. Sec.)

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed. Arising out of the minutes it was stated that Mr Rogers had visited the office & had announced that the Brondesbury Branch now numbered 50 & was therefore entitled to representation at once. Mr Lock said that the name of a representative had not yet been forwarded. The Secretary said she had arranged with Miss Spencer that the Bookshop should receive 2/11 per copy for the Home Education series & that therefore the series could be dealt with direct by the office & there need be no transaction with Legree Paul.

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ApologiesLeave for Secretary

Apologies for absence were announced from Mr Parsons, Lady Campbell, Mr Storer, Mr Haslam, Mr Whitaker Thompson, & Mr Helen Webb, Mr Zimmerman.

During the discussion of this question Mr Lock & Mr Parush retired. On returning to the room Lord Lytton expressed on behalf of the Committee sympathy with Mr Lock on having to take further rest & said that the following arrangements had been made for his absence.

Mr Parush would be head of the office during Mr Lock's absence, Mr Fitzroy would receive additional salary at the rate of £6 a year & Mr Haines would be engaged to shop all day 1st from 9.30 - 4.30 at 12/6 a week. Mr Lock would do the book-keeping at home & would receive half salary during his absence. Mr Lock thanked the Committee for their loyalty & for their generosity in the matter of salary & himself.

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Society of
Day Nurseries

Mr Franklin called the attention of the Committee to the exhibition of the Society of Day Nurseries at Whitehall where 4 children & some nurses were displayed to a public standing free deep in a ship's hold window with no external ventilation. She felt that it was ^{gross} wrong from points of view both moral & hygienic & had drafted a letter which was read, where she proposed sending to the President of the Society General Lady Holmesley, signed by Lord Lytton & herself (Mr Franklin). The Committee were fully in accord with Mr Franklin's views & were of opinion that the letter with slight alterations should be sent. The question of at the same time sending a letter of protest to the daily papers was discussed but it was felt that this should not be done until the Day Nurseries had had a chance of replying to the letter of protest but it was agreed that in that letter it should be stated that to avoid their example being followed in the future the Union contemplated writing a shorter letter of protest to the Press.

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Mrs. Featherstone

Mrs. Featherstone, ~~was~~ a Trans-Atlantic teacher, who had been present at Mrs. Parist's address to Canadian teachers on Nov 24th had been much interested in the work of the Union & was anxious to spread the work in the United States, she had been to the office & seen Mr. Lock & Mrs. Parist & had then been to see Mr. Franklin who had thought it advisable that she should meet the Committee

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Mrs. Featherstone having been introduced, the Chairman welcomed her on behalf of the Committee. Mrs. Featherstone said she knew the work of the Union would appeal to Americans & she felt quite sure that if once the work were started it would grow to be a very big thing. There were many people in the States who were interested along those lines but hitherto there were many of these groups of people, nothing definite had been done, nothing crystallized, she wanted to start Branches in different centres, in fact do a lot of speaking at various towns & starting the work - she felt that to do this it would be necessary to have permanent headquarters & also as she would have to give up her present appointment to do P.N.S.U. propaganda work, she would require a certain sum for expenses. She knew Mr. Stanley Hall & Prof. James & felt certain of their interest & support in the scheme as also of many other Educationalists - When the work of the Union was known she would then start a school in P.N.S.U. lines in her home Los Angeles.

Lord Lytton said he felt apprehensive of starting in so many towns at once, one experience showed us that each Branch wanted careful nursing & he felt that perhaps seed sown in so many places at once might be lost. He felt it would be better to start one Branch where Mrs. Featherstone lived, & see what success that met, if that was well supported then other Branches could be started.

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As regards the financial side Mrs. Featherstone did not feel certain that she could get any guarantees but she felt quite certain of intellectual support. It was suggested that the subscription for America should be five dollars, inclusive of the Parents' Review. It was also felt that some small alterations would have to be made in the leaflet. Mr. Schofield thought it would be as well to suspend further consideration until Mrs. Featherstone had seen what support she could obtain, in the meantime she should have propaganda literature to disperse & the Committee would consider the matter again on hearing from her & would also communicate with her again before she left England. Mrs. Featherstone then retired.

Lord Lytton being obliged to leave at this point Mr. FitzRoy presided - During the lateness of the hour the financial statement, office news & a large amount of the correspondence were held over.

Correspondence.

- (a) Sir William Mather asking that the Union would give certain of the exhibits, sent to the Franco-British Exhibition, to form part of a permanent collection representing advances of Educational methods; Mr. Lock read a letter from Mrs. Mason, whom she had consulted re certain of the exhibits sent by her, who was delighted with the selection, which she considered most representative & judicious. The Secretary

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was instructed to say that the Committee most appreciated the honours done there & were willing to give the exhibits.

Miss Parush Report

b) Mr. Lusher a member of the Hantsford Committee who was collecting data re schools on unconventional lines & who had promised the P.N.S.U. Committee would give 100 reprints of the list of schools appearing with Parents Review as working on P.U. lines. Mr. Col. Mr. Lock said, would be under 7/6. It was decided to do this.

Miss Parush Report

Nov 14th She spoke at Derby where she thought the members were decidedly sleepy. The P.N.S.U. had recently amalgamated with the Froebel Society here & some joint lectures are being held. Mrs. Parush thought that the Froebel Society had more life in it than the P.N.S.U.

Nov 14th Ethical Society at Kensington.

Nov 23rd Gave help to a governess at Breulwood who was teaching in the P.U.S.

Nov 24 Address to Trans-Atlantic teachers

And also gave the remaining three talks of the Series of talks arranged by the Hyde Park Branch.

Mr. Lock said that the amount of £6.15 has been received for work done by Mrs. Parush during the month.

Branches

Trinity - The talks to mothers had been most successful. Ten new members had joined the Branch. It had left through removal from the neighbourhood.

Mr. Franklin read the following extract from the speech of W. Ward, headmaster of Clifton College, when taking the chair at a meeting at Bristol.

attendance.

The CHAIRMAN said of all the leagues, associations, and unions to which he belonged—and he belonged to a great many—there was no one for whose ideals and aims he had a higher respect or with whose methods he more cordially approved. He was glad to congratulate the branch upon a considerable accession to its numbers during the two or three months which had elapsed since the annual conference of the Union was held in Bristol. He looked forward to the time when the branch would be so representative of Bristol parents that the heads of schools in Clifton would be able to utilise the meetings for real discussion of matters of interest to schoolmasters and parents alike.

Library

Mr. Lock said Mrs. Mason had sent a box of books for the library & that Mr. Parker had given a copy of Mrs. Beale's life for the library.

Next Meeting

January 19th was suggested as a possible date.

New Inner Office

The question of making a small office within the large one now had been discussed with Mr. Lock & Mrs. Parush were absent & been decided on. Mr. Lock said she had an estimate for £8.5.0, it was considered advisable

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to obtain a second estimate, if this one was more the original estimate it be accepted.

Miss Lees Lellie - A most interesting letter from Miss Lees, ex-student of the House of Education, was read in which she said that much interest was being shown in the work of the Union in Johannesburg & that a Reading Circle had been formed by her.

M. Franklin

19.1.09.

The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria Street, S.W. January 19th 1909. 31.1.

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Present

Hon. Mrs. Franklin (in the Chair)

Lady Campbell (Belgrave)

Mrs. Howard Glover

Mrs. Longdon (Surrey)

Mrs. Roper (Bromley)

Mrs. Whistler Thompson (Hyde Park)

Mrs. W. H. Webb

Miss Parish (Asst. Secy Secretary)

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising out of the minutes (a) Mrs. Franklin reported that she had thought it best to take up Miss Featherstone's references from one or two people who knew her in England, and as a result she felt she could not recommend the Committee to proceed further with any negotiations with Miss Featherstone. She had therefore written her a letter, of which a copy is attached.

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Mrs Franklin read Mrs Featherston's answer, in which she regretted the Committee's decision and asked to be permitted to subscribe to the Union. This letter Mrs Franklin had judged at best not to answer.

(b) a letter ^{of thanks} was read from the Board of Education for the exhibits from the House of Education, which has been shown at the Franco-British Exhibition and, having been selected for forming part of a permanent exhibition, had been sent to the Board of Education.

(c) a letter from Mr Lock suggesting that this fact should be advertised in the newspapers. It was thought hardly worth while to do so.

(d) a letter of thanks from Mr Wothers, on behalf of the British Institute of Social Service, for the reports of the Schools register prepared for them by the Committee.

(e) As regards the Day Nurseries Exhibition, Mrs Franklin stated that no answer had been received from the Viscountess Helmsley, and that although Lord Lytton had written a covering letter to the newspapers an extract from the letter had only appeared in the "Standard". The letter in toto had been published in the January Parents Review.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were announced from Lord & Lady Aberdeen, Lord Lytton, Mr Hudson, Mr Jennings, Mrs Rea, Mr Stirling & Mr Clement Parsons.

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Financial

Statement

The following Financial Statement was read.

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash in Bank	£77. 16. 0		
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		Cowell (P.T.S.)	32 15 3
		Lock	2 18 4
		Parish	10 0 0
		Sticham	6 10 0
		Haynes	2 14 2
		Balance on hand	63 9 8
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Correspondence

(a) Dr E. Lytle Park, editor of the "Kindergarten Magazine and Pedagogical Digest" of New York, asking permission to use some excerpts from the Parents Review in his magazine. This had been granted by Mrs Mason.

(b) Miss Gilbert, ex-student of the House of Education who had been for thirteen years in her post and now reports most satisfactory letters from the heads of schools to which her pupils had gone.

(c) Dr Gray, of Bradford College, with reference to reports of his article in the December & January Parents Reviews. It was decided to ask him for four or five dozen copies on sale but that the pamphlet should not be added to the P.V.S. list.

(d) Mrs Hardie, of Trefnant, N. Wales, in appreciation of the help given by the P.V.S. & by the Parents Review.

(e) The Editor of the "Macclesfield Times & Chronicle", asking that a copy of the Parents' Review should be sent to him each month for review, his attention having been drawn to the magazine at a lecture by Miss Ravenshill under the auspices of the P.N.S.U.

(f) Mrs. Cotton, of Weymouth, speaking warmly of the educational value of the P.U.S. & P.N.S.U.

(g) Miss Nelson, ex-student of the House of Education at present teaching Mr. Runciman's children. Mr. Runciman has been able to superintend the children's examinations & has expressed his satisfaction at their progress in the School.

(h) Mr. Knight, of Calcutta, asking for information about the P.N.S.U.

(i) Miss Davis, governess to the Princess Anirudh Kaur, daughter of the Maharajah of Kapurthala, asking for particulars of the P.U.S.

(k) Miss Burman, complaining of the loss to her school by the formation of several private classes taught by House of Education governesses in Chelsea. It was decided that nothing could be done in the matter.

Miss Parish's Report.

Dec. 11-14th Miss Parish addressed a meeting at Plymouth. There was a good attendance & a Branch was formed under the name of the "Three Towers & District." Revendary Parsons was in the Chair & he and Mrs. Parsons will be President. Mrs. Locke, a teacher at St. Dunstan's College

was appointed Secretary. People of all denominations were elected to the Committee. Three lectures were to be arranged for the session, dealing with physical, mental & spiritual education; & there was to be a garden party in the spring. Two Reading Circles were to be formed - one for poor mothers conducted by Mrs. Locke, & another for more educated mothers conducted by Mrs. Ursula Vawdrey. The teachers at St. Dunstan's Abbey were much interested in the P.U.S. & Sister Mary Julia would like to adopt the curriculum as soon as circumstances permitted. Dec. 14th A meeting at Launceston, at Mr. Lewis's house. There were about 50 present, one new member; & £1.20 collection sold. The idea of the P.U.S. was very attractive & Miss Parish hoped to return in the spring & visit several other places in Cornwall.

Jan. 14th. Mr. Franklin had spoken at a meeting at Plymouth & a Branch had been formed there with about 20 members. Mr. Somerville to be the Secretary. Miss Parish was to give a series of six lectures on P.N.S.U. principles.

Jan. 15th A lecture to girls on "The Building of Character", under the auspices of the Bayswater Branch.

Mrs. Franklin said that Miss Parish had spoken at 9th meetings up to December. She thought so highly of the lecture to girls that she had written to the headmistresses of various schools suggesting that they should have it. She was much hopeful that the new Branches would have the benefit of lectures which

Miss Parish had given to the Baywater Branch.

Propaganda Work

Mr. Franklin said that the arrangements of propaganda work was much hampered by want of funds. Only 2/- had been received in response to his appeal in the December P.N. The Committee were earnestly begged to endeavour to arouse greater interest in this branch of the work & to get more support from the members. Mr. Glover suggested that a special appeal should be made at the Annual Meeting on behalf of the Propaganda Fund. Lady Campbell suggested that a course of propaganda meetings should be held in London in the spring. It was hoped that Mr. Dring might be able to suggest hostesses who would be willing to lend their drawing rooms for morning meetings.

Annual Meeting

It was decided that the Annual Meeting should be held in London early in May, if possible at Grosvenor House with Lord Lytton in the chair. Mr. Franklin suggested Professor Sutherland as speaker. Mr. Webb proposed Professor Myers, of London University, as a second choice. The question of the desirability of holding more than one meeting was discussed. Miss Parish said that a demonstration lesson was not advisable when the audience was a large one. It was decided that final details should be discussed at the next meeting.

Branches

National Home Reading Union

Australia A letter from Mrs. Siler, who wishes to resign her Hon. Secretaryship, if a substitute could be found.

Richmond & Glen The Hon. Sec. Mr. Siler having to leave the neighbourhood it was feared that the Branch would lapse unless another Secretary could be found.

Bromley Mr. Pater announced that the Branch now numbered 50 members, but it was hoped that the proposal made to the Council would still be entertained.

Mr. Franklin announced that as an outcome of his address at Aberdeen she had been approached by Dr. Paton, Hon. Sec. of the Home Reading Union, with a view of bringing about co-operation between his Union & the N.H.R.U. It was decided to help the N.H.R.U., wherever it was possible, by making the names of Reading Circles known at the Conference, & among the members of the P.O.S.

Correspondence with Lord Heath

Mr. Franklin read a long correspondence between Miss Mason and Lord Heath on the subject of Discipline & corporal punishment. Although Lord Heath did not agree to the publication of the whole correspondence, it was decided to ask Miss Mason to publish one of the letters from herself in the Parents Review.

Art for Schools Association

The pictures from the Art for Schools Association were then exhibited.

Report of
Office Year

The Report of the Office Year was read and approved.
 Lady Campbell suggested that in any new edition of the
 Catalogue of Gift Books a footnote should be inserted to
 the effect that the Office was prepared to receive orders
 for the books mentioned on the list; special books could
 be obtained in three days.

The Office News was deferred until the next meeting.

Next Meeting

February 17th was proposed as the date of the next meeting.

Lytton

Feb. 17. '09

The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria Street, S.W. Feb. 17 1909, 3/4

Present

The Earl of Lytton, in the chair

Mr. Jellicoe (Northwood)

The Hon. Mr. Franklin

Mr. Howard Glover

Mr. J. J. Roy

Mr. Kersey

Lady Louise Loder

Mr. Clement Parsons

Mr. Walter Rea

Mr. Roper (Bromsbury)

Dr. Schofield

Mr. Stirling

Mr. Whitaker Thompson

Dr. Helen Webb

Mr. Whyte (Dunbar)

Mr. Zimmern (Sudbury)

Miss Parish (Asst. Sec. Sec.)

Minutes

The minutes were read and confirmed.

Apology

An apology for absence was announced from Mr. Hyland Haslam.

Finance

The following financial statement was read.

		Liabilities	
Cash in Bank	£181 1 8		
" " " "	" 2 10		
		Simpkin	59 2 1
		Hatchett	5 14 0
		Lock	12 9 0
		Cowell	46 16 9
		Woolgar & Roberts	1 1 0
		Lock	2 18 4
		Parish	10 0 0
		Isleham	6 10 0
		Haynes	2 14 2
		Balance in hand	40 9 3
£192 4 6		£192 4 6	

Mr Franklin announced that Mrs Lock's continued ill-health would prevent her from resuming her work at the Office for some time. It was decided to extend the leave that had been granted to her and to continue the existing arrangement as to her salary. At Mr Lock's suggestion it was decided that the balance of £54 6 8 due to Messrs Paul & Co. for the Home Education series should be paid off.

Correspondence

Letters were read from Austria, the Transvaal, New York & St. Petersburg, expressing interest in the P.N.S.U. & P.V.S.; also from D. Toogood, enquiring for an exchange of magazines between

the P.N.S.U. & the National Society of Day Nurseries; from Mr Campbell Atkinson, who had seen the P.N.S.U. exhibits at the Franco-British Exhibition; from Mr Prosser (Norfolk) expressing appreciation of the P.V.S., and from the Sub-Editor of the "Commonwealth" asking for the insertion of the advertisement of Mrs Parish's lecture to girls in that paper. Letters were also announced from several members enquiring for particulars of "Ourselves"; and a correspondence was read with regard to the postponement of Mrs Parish's proposed lecture at Twickenham. Mr Franklin was asked to explain to the Chairman of the Twickenham Board of Education the attitude of the P.N.S.U. towards schools.

Old Branches

It was announced (a) that the Tasmania Branch had lapsed owing to the retirement of the Hon. Secretary.
(b) Northwood. Mr Delgale & Mr Hopwood had undertaken the secretariatship in place of Mrs Howland Brown & Mrs Stanger.
(c) Melbourne. The Secretary (Mr Dillon) found it difficult to arouse active interest in the Branch.
(d) East Cheshire. That the Branch now numbered 19 members.
(e) Bolton & Darworth. Mr Barnes had found a new Secretary. There was a strong desire for the Branch to be continued.

New Branches

Mr Franklin announced that she had addressed a meeting at Weymouth & that there was some possibility of a Branch being formed there.

Miss Parsh's
Report

- Jan. 26th Audited Club
 28. Address to girls at Mrs. Hervey's school at Alderburgh
 29. Professional visit to Mrs. Wentworth at Saxmundham
 Feb. 1st Bolton. There was some idea of discontinuing the Branch but this had since been abandoned. The meeting was badly attended.
 Feb. 2nd Preston. A good meeting & the outlook for the Branch was promising.
 Feb. 5th Professional visit to Mrs. Bickerton, Hatley St.
 9th First of series of lectures at Bromley; good attendance and some new members.
 Feb. 11th Visit to Free Kindergarten, Westminster.
 16. Second of series at Bromley.
 Meetings in prospect: Paignton, Wellington, Dartmouth, St. Ives.
 Fees taken during the month, £3.30; literature sold, 21/10.

Annual Meeting

Mrs. Franklin announced that Professor Sadler was unable to address the meeting. Other names were suggested and Lord Lytton undertook to ask Professor Butcher to speak, and failing him, Dr. Headlam of King's College.

Filling of Vacancies
in Exec. Committee

Resignations from the Executive Committee were announced from Mrs. Anson & Mrs. Trava Bigham. It was unanimously agreed to invite Mrs. George Cadbury to fill the one of the vacancies, & to ask her also to serve on the Conference Committee.

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Discussion as
to Funds.

Office News

Taken under Finance Report.

It was reported that 22 new members had joined the Central Branch against 4 retired, also 7 new subscribers to the Review against 7 retired. Twenty-one members had been transferred to the Bromley Branch.

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Conference Committee 26 Victoria Street S.W. - Feb 17th 1904-4/2

Present

Lord Lytton (in the Chair)
 Mrs. Digby
 Mr. Mr. Franklin
 Mr. Howard Glover
 Lady Louisa Loder
 Mr. Clement Parsons
 Mr. Walter Rieu
 Mr. Maitland
 Mr. Schofield
 Mrs. Whitaker Thompson
 Dr. Helen Webb
 Mr. Whyte
 Mrs. Parry (Adm. Secy. Sec.)

Preliminary Meeting

Mr. Franklin announced that a Preliminary meeting had been held on Feb. 5th at which the following had been present: Lady Campbell, Mr. Franklin, Mr. Howard Glover, Mr. Jordan Lloyd, Mr. Clement Parsons, Mr. Whitaker Thompson, and Dr. Helen Webb. The date and underlying thought of the Conference had been discussed & various speakers suggested.

Note

The dates originally suggested - Monday, Nov. 15th - Friday, Nov. 19th inclusive - were fixed.

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PlaceUnderlying Thought

Mr. Franklin announced that Mrs. Jordan Lloyd has not yet found a hall but that she was making inquiries.

The following general underlying thought was suggested:
 "How to establish an adjustment between the two strands of education - (a) practical success (b) self development.
 "Leave now for dogs and asses!
 Man has for ever"

SuggestedSpeakers

It was decided that Mr. Casbury should be asked to give a presidential address with an address of welcome on the afternoon of Monday, Nov. 15th, to which Lord Lytton should reply. On Monday evening, Nov. 15th Professor Jahn should be asked to speak on some question dealing with education in commerce & industry. On Nov. 16th Lord Lytton to give a paper, as it would probably be more convenient for him than to come from home.

Other suggested speakers were Lord Cromer, to deal with the point of view of public school men as men of affairs; Mr. McCull, of the Tate Gallery, on the Art side of the question; the Bishop of Birmingham, to harmonize both sides at the end of the Conference; Mr. Paton; Mr. Martin Holland on the question of a University career for business men. Mr. Giner, on the Christian Movement, was to have been asked to give the paper which had been promised for the Festival Conference, to have been given at the Birmingham Conference; Mr. Parry (suggested from Birmingham); Lord, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Parry (suggested from Birmingham);

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but yesterday to speak.

Mr Jordan Lloyd undertook to find six or eight young singers for his weekly Lord's lecture on Wednesday evening, Nov 17.

Mr Jordan Lloyd said that she had not yet secured a hall for the meetings but submitted the names of several with which she had negotiated.

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The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria Street, S.W. March 24th 1909 4/11

Present

Lord Leyton (in the chair)

Lady Campbell

Mr Delgale (Northwood)

The Hon. Mr Franklin

Mrs Howard Glover

Mr Dryland Haslam (Reading)

Mr Jordan Lloyd (Birmingham)

Mrs Kersey (Belgrave)

Mrs McMaster (Brighton)

Rev. C. Roper (Brondesbury)

Mr Sterling

Dr Helen Webb

Miss Parish (Asst. Org. Sec.)

New members of
Exec. Committee

Mr George Cardbury and Lt Col B. P. Hart were introduced as having been co-opted on to the Committee.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were announced from Mr Jackson, Lady Loder, Mrs Whitaker Thompson, Mr Dyer & Mrs Zimmerman.

Financial Statement

The following financial statement was read

Cash at hand £ 75 2 3
in bank £ 35 14 3

Receipts	
Emphlett	25 15 7
Reeves	1 16 6
Bridges	8 15 8
Wrightman	1 10 0
Cowich	34 11 0
Miss Parry	10 0 0
Miss J. Latham	6 10 0
Miss Lock	2 18 4
Miss Haynes	2 14 2
Balance in hand	11 2 8
	<u>£ 106 16 11</u>

The outgoing letter from the auditor was read and also a letter from Mr. Parry concerning the same.

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Correspondence

- (a) A letter from Warsaw expressing interest in the House.
- (b) Mr. Sanders, expressing gratitude for the Committee's letter to the Toronto Education Board.
- (c) Mr. H. H. H. asking for particulars of the P.U.S. to be sent to the Headmaster of the Royal Naval College, Osborne.
- (d) Mr. B. B. B. with reference to a proposed Branch at Toronto.
- (e) The Secretary of the Imperial International Exhibition, 1904, asking for P.N.T.S. exhibits to be sent to the proposed Social Economy Section.
- (f) Mr. Bird, of Bortham, in connection with a letter of Mr. B. B. B. at a meeting in her house in October 1903 by one of those present. Mr. Franklin was instructed to write her name to the lady under cover of a letter to Mr. B. B. B.
- (g) The photograph was shown of Misses H. H. H. & H. H. H. a new member of the P.U.S.
- (h) Mr. Franklin announced that students of the House of Education were now working at a large public school for girls, a private school for girls, two boys' preparatory schools & two boys' day schools, & that in September there would be a student at a large day school for girls in London.

Branches

News. A letter was read from Miss J. H. H. Haynes saying that she was continuing the bookkeeping & that it was hoped that the Branch would be carried on with success on somewhat different lines.

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Council Meeting

Annual Report

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Conference Com.

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The Council meeting. 26 Victoria Street, S.B. Wed. May 5th 1909. 3 1/2 hr.

Present

The Earl of Lytton in the chair

Mrs. Devonshire

The Hon. Mr. Drumblin

Mrs. Lely (Northwood)

Mrs. Dwyer

The Lady Louisa Gordon

Mrs. Edmund Pearson

Mrs. Phipps (Broadstairs)

Mr. Helen Webb

Mrs. W. de Webb

Mrs. J. Gordon (Preston)

Mrs. Parry (Art. Org. Sec.)

Apologies

Apologies were announced from Mr. Cadbury, Lady Campbell, Mr. Devonshire and Pakenham, Mrs. Phipps.

Annual Report

The Annual Report was read. Lord Lytton moved its adoption from the Chair & the motion was carried unanimously.

Alteration in Rule 8.

The proposed alteration in Rule 8 viz: that "forty" be read instead of "fifty", was confirmed.

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Re-election of President.

The re-election of the President was proposed by Lord Lytton from the chair. Carried unanimously.

Re-election of Vice Presidents.

The re-election of the Vice Presidents, with the addition of Mr. J. Phipps and Mrs. Phipps was proposed by Mrs. Pearson & seconded by Mr. Drumblin. Carried unanimously.

Re-election of Council.

The re-election of the Council, with the addition of the Hon. Mr. Schomburgk Byng, whose name had been proposed by Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Drumblin, was proposed by Mr. Devonshire. Carried unanimously.

Re-election of Executive Com.

The re-election of the Executive Committee, with the addition of the Hon. Mr. Schomburgk Byng, was proposed by Lord Lytton from the chair. Carried unanimously.

Re-election of Auditor.

The re-election of the Auditor was proposed by Mr. Drumblin. Carried unanimously.

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The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria St. S.W. Wed. May 5th 1909, following Council meeting.

Present

The Earl of Lytton in the chair
 Mrs Devonshire
 Mrs Jelgale (Northwood)
 The Hon Mrs Franklin
 Mrs Jersey (Belgrave)
 The Lady Louise Loe
 Mrs Mudding (Dulwich)
 Mrs Clement Parsons
 Mrs Foster (Mortonsburg)
 Mr Helen Webb
 Mr W. M. Webb
 Miss Parry (West. Ang. Sec.)

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
 On arising out of the minutes, Mrs Franklin said that she had had no reply to the letter she had written in connection with the debt incurred at the meeting of at Mrs Bird's house. The Committee decided that an account should be rendered monthly until the debt was paid.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were announced from Mr Cadbury and Lady Campbell, Mrs Badock, Mr Haslam, Mrs Jordan Lloyd and Mrs Wolfe.

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Financial Statement

The following financial statement was read:

Cash in Bank	£43	11	6	Liabilities			
" " " "	18	2	4	Cowels	3	3	4
				Parish	10		
				St. John	6	10	
				Lock	2	18	4
				Haynes	2	14	2
				Bal in hand	6	18	
£1	13	10			51	13	10

Correspondence

- (a) Mrs R. M. Wilkinson (Harlesden) expressing a wish for a branch to be formed at Harlesden. This was considered undesirable by the Committee.
- (b) Mrs Kewman (Mildura S. India) - a letter of gratitude to Mrs Mason for help given by Home Education, Parent & Child.
- (c) Miss Lees (Transvaal) giving a report of the last Sunday School.
- (d) It was announced that Mrs Mason had been one of the educationalists asked to contribute answers to various questions put by the Moral Education League in the pamphlet in which the questions & answers were published some time ago.
- (e) Mr J. H. Brittain (Rochdale) reporting progress in the direction of the formation of a branch & suggesting an inaugural meeting in September.
- (f) Mrs Williamson (Pudington), telling of the high position taken by one of her children at a public day school, after working in the P.U.S.

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Miss Parke's
Report

Miss Parke reports the following meetings:

Nov 26. Bromley. Two new members. Literature sold 1/2

" 30. Bromley. Last lecture of series

" 31. Popford meeting at Mr. Stoddard's house
Two new members. Literature sold 1/2

Nov 1st. Norwich. Out of door lecture on Botany

" 5th. Burgess Hill. Town and members. Literature £1.2.4

" 29th. Popford meeting at Mr. Colman's house
Literature sold £3.5.11

Nov 4th. Chislehurst. A good meeting, a desire was expressed
for a Branch. Literature sold £1.0.5

Sanction for
Committee Meetings

Sanction was given for the hire of Miss Lounsbury's studio
for the use of Committee meetings, at the rate of 5/- a time.

Office Hours

It was announced that eleven new members had joined the
Central Office, besides seven new subscribers to the Parents'
Review; that twelve Central members & four subscribers to
the Review had withdrawn; & that one member had been
transferred to the Bristol Branch. There had been
ninety-five callers at the Office & ninety-nine Trade calls.
The sum of £2 had been received ^{from the Parents' Review} as a donation to the Popford Fund.

Conference

Arrangements

Katharine V. Roy, July 1914
Mr. Franklin was empowered to engage the Friends Meeting
House for the Conference. In view of the fact that the

State would not be available for meeting on the morning of
Wednesday, Nov 17th. It was decided to fix the next to
Bournemouth at that time.

Provisional
Programme

The following Provisional Programme was arranged:

Nov. 15th 3 p.m. Address of welcome by Mr. Colman,
Lord Lytton to reply.

Evening. Lord Cromer (to be asked by Lord Lytton)

Nov. 16th 10.30. Mrs. Mason's paper.

11.45. Mr. J. Purley

2.30. Dr. Helen Webb

3.30. Paper on Direct & Indirect Home Teaching with a
dramatic Demonstration Lesson Mrs. Waller

Followed by Secretaries' meeting

Evening. Reception by the Mayor of Bournemouth.

Nov. 17th A visit to Bournemouth in the morning.

2.30. Mr. J. Whyte

3.30. Sir Oliver Lodge

5.0. Lecture to Girls Mrs. Parke

Evening. "Songs for Children" with illustrations
Mr. Walter Dore

Nov. 18th 10.30. Paper on Art (Lord Lytton to ask Mr. Lathbury &
Mr. Roger Fry)

11.45. "Romanticism in Medieval Art & Literature"
Mrs. Pauline Hodgson

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Let's get the notebook

late Howard Grove (Hampshire)

Lat. ~~Stepwood~~ (Northwood)

Prof. England (Hastam / Reading)

Representatives of Branches affected by the alteration in the Rules were asked to send to the office the names of Representatives entitled to attend the meetings of the Executive Committee.

In answer to a question, it was explained that in cases when the Branch Representative was unable to attend, a deputy might be appointed.

The possibility of Branches which numbered over eighty subscribers having two Representatives was mentioned.

Mr. Franklin announced that the Thirteenth Annual Conference would be held in Birmingham in November. He hoped that this would be made known to the members of every Branch.

Mr. Howard Jones (Hampstead) proposed, & Mr. England Haslam (Reading) seconded the following resolution, which was carried unanimously.

That two official representatives, in addition to the Branch Representative & the Secretary, be appointed by each Branch to attend the Conference, it being optional to the Branch to refrain from sending them.

Mr. McWilliam (Bristol) raised the point as to whether it would be advisable to lower the price of the P.N.S.U. literature. He thought that there might be a larger sale of the pamphlets if their price were 2" or 1" instead of 3" or 4". Various

opinions having been expressed, Mr. Franklin said that it would be better to consider the matter further when the pamphlet was to be produced.

Collection of Subscriptions

Mr. McWilliam also asked for suggestions as to how the subscription might be collected. Mr. Hule (Glasgow) found it a good plan to send out a notice before Christmas to the effect that after March 31st an additional charge would be charged beyond the regular subscription. Mr. John Lloyd (Birmingham) suggested that a slip should be affixed to the first Programme issued with a request for subscriptions. Mr. England Haslam said that he would send a request at the beginning of the year & not a month until the subscription was paid. Mr. J. J. (Belgium) found a Bankers' form useful.

Branch Meetings

In response to an enquiry as to what form of meeting was found most successful, Mr. Popper (Birmingham) said that some debates had been arranged in his Branch with much interest, members being allowed to bring friends. Mr. Franklin suggested that such meetings might take the form of a discussion of the last lecture or of parts of two lectures together. She said that it was well to arrange meetings for new members & new members occasionally, & that there should be a series of lectures on the P.N.S.U. thought. Talking was very valuable. She hoped that every Branch would see the value of meetings.

received the Report.

Miss Parsh suggested that the Secretary should read the report of the year's work at the next General meeting, & that the attention of members should be drawn to the fact that the prospectuses of the Council Union & of the Mother's Educational Course are included in the Report.

The advisability of arranging Talks to Nurses was discussed. Secretaries often found that the mothers were unwilling to send their nurses. Mrs Franklin suggested that a preliminary meeting for mothers might be held, at which the value of such a Course might be made clear and any difficulties explained.

P.N.S.U. and the
Mother's Course

With reference to the possibility of giving help to working-class mothers, Miss Parsh said that several successful meetings of this kind had been arranged by the Plymouth Branch. Mrs Franklin felt that there was no need to encroach upon the work of existing Mother's Meetings, but that members might give help indirectly to poorer mothers by spreading principles which they themselves had learned from the P.N.S.U.

President

The Earl of Lytton
 Mrs George Gaskin
 Lady Campbell
 The Hon. Mrs Franklin
 Mrs Howard Jones
 Mrs Jordan Lloyd
 Mrs Philby
 Mrs Walter Tice
 Lt Helen Webb
 Miss Parsh (Act. Secy)

The Chair was taken by Mrs Franklin & subsequently by Lord Lytton on his arrival. Messages were announced from Mrs Clement Parsons, & Mr Dryland Haslam, Mrs Jerningham, Mr Wyle.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Price of Season Ticket

It was decided that 3/6 should be charged for a Season Ticket including Handbook and badge, if bought before the Conference. 3/6 without Handbook and badge if bought at the time of the Conference.

Programme

The following provisional programme was drawn up after discussion:

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Monday, Nov 15

- 9.0. Chair Mrs. Gillingham. Address of welcome. Look by the light
 Tea to be given by London Education Committee
 9.30. Chair Look by the light
Speaker Bishop of Birmingham on the subject

Tuesday, Nov 16

- 9.30. Chair Mrs. Gillingham
Speaker Mrs. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 11.45. Chair Mr. Gillingham
Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 1.00. Chair Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 3.35. Chair Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
Chair Mrs. Gillingham on "United, United, United Teaching"
 5.30. Secretary meeting
 Evening. Reception by Mrs. Gillingham, or Mr. Gillingham. Paper
 on "Song for Children" with illustrations - Mr. Gillingham
 Given on the Chair. If neither of these
 could be arranged, the evening to be left for

Wednesday, Nov 17

- A short 3 minutes to occupy the morning.
 3.15. Chair Mr. Gillingham. Record of Birmingham (part 1)
 in Oliver Lodge's effort)
Speaker Mr. Gillingham
 5.0. Chair Mrs. Gillingham
Speaker Mrs. Gillingham. on address to girls.

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8.30. Chair Mrs. Gillingham

Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham.
 or - free evening.

Thursday, Nov 18

- 10.30. Chair Mrs. Gillingham
Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
Chair Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 1.45. Chair Mrs. Gillingham
Speaker Mrs. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 2.30. Chair Professor Hughes
Speaker Canon Gillingham
 3.45. Chair (To be found locally)
Speaker Mrs. Gillingham on "Scouting"
 5.0. Tea by Birmingham Committee in the Art Gallery
 8.30. Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham.
 or Art Gallery, or Gillingham by Gillingham.

Friday, Nov 19

- 10.30. Chair Mrs. Gillingham
Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 11.45. Chair Mrs. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
 2.30. Chair Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham
Speaker Mr. Gillingham. Paper read by Mr. Gillingham.

Places of Meeting

Mr. Franklin sent a correspondence with the Bishop of Birmingham, in which he deprecated the use of the Friends' Meeting House for the Conference meetings. The Committee decided not to alter the existing arrangements but to ask the Bishop to give his address at some place other than the Friends' Meeting House. Mr. Franklin was instructed to write to him to this effect and to ask him to speak on Monday evening, Nov. 15th if possible instead of on Friday, Nov. 19th. Mr. Jordan Day undertook to find a place of meeting for this occasion, perhaps the University Building. She also promised to arrange for Miss Parry's address to girls to be given at a girls' school, and to make the arrangements for the ladies' Executive Tea on Monday, Nov. 15th.

Further arrange-
ments.

It was decided that a change of address should be made for admission to Miss Parry's address to girls.

Lord Lytton undertook to ask Mr. Reginald Ingham or Mr. Matthew Conway to give the lecture on Art. He announced that Lord Curzon was unable to speak and that he had received no reply from Mr. Hamilton. Mr. Franklin announced that Mr. J. Sturge had declined & that Mr. Fisher had not yet given a definite promise to speak.

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Conference

Mr. Hamilton has agreed to attend the Conference of the N 11. 10. 10 as a delegate of the P.N. 11.

Write of Pres.
Committee Meeting

The next meeting of the Executive Committee was held for July 14th.

July 14. 09

Lytton

The Executive Committee, 26 Victoria Street, S.W. July 14 1909, 3 p.m.

Present

The Earl of Lytton
Mrs Desonshire
Lady Digby
The Hon Mrs Franklin
Mrs Howard Jones
Mrs Leroy (Belgrave)
Mrs Clement Parsons
Mrs Walter Rea (Hampstead)
Mrs Roper (Bromleybury)
Mrs Somerville (Bromley)
Dr Helen Webb
Mr W. M. Webb
Mrs Gimmern (Sudbury)
Mrs Mackenzie (Duckley)

Mrs Parish (Hon. Secy)

Until the arrival of Lord Lytton, the chair was taken by Lady Digby.
Apologies for absence were announced from Lady Aberdeen,
Mrs George Canning, Lady Campbell, Mr Dryland Oslam,
Lady Louise Loder, Mrs Stirling & Mrs White.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mrs Franklin's
visit to Canada

Mrs Franklin reported that she had attended the International Council of Women at Toronto, as delegate from the National Council of England, and that she had read a paper and given an address at the meetings. Much interest in the P.N.S.U. had been shown at Toronto and at Montreal, though neither place in her judgment was ready for a Branch. Three new subscriptions to the Parents' Review had been received; two whole sets of the Home Education Series & eight single volumes had been

Sold besides P.N.S.U. pamphlets amounting to £3.1.0

Resignation of
Mrs Lock

Mrs Parish having written Mrs Lock a letter was read from Mrs Lock giving in her resignation by order of her doctor. This was accepted with the greatest regret, and the following resolution moved from the chair and seconded by Mrs Jones, was passed unanimously:

That the Committee received with the greatest sorrow Mrs Lock's resignation and wished to record their deep regret that it should be necessary for her to sever her connection with the Union, coupled with their unanimous expression of gratitude for all she had done for the Union during the seven years of her Secretaryship.

Appointment of
General Secretary

Mrs Webb then proposed and Mrs Desonshire seconded the resolution:

That Mrs Parish be formally elected as General Secretary, with an Organizing Secretary, at a salary of £40 a year, and that Mrs Helen Webb be elected as Assistant Secretary, at the increased salary of £78 a year, she had been receiving during Mrs Lock's absence, the engagement to terminate at three months notice in either case.

Carried unanimously.

Correspondence

During the reading of the correspondence the Chair was taken by Lord Lytton

(a) Mrs. Trade, Auckland N.Z., reporting much interest in the P.N.E.U. in the large district north of Auckland

(b) Mr. L. L. Wilson, at the Hotel Cecil, Strand, had seen the exhibit at the Imperial Exhibition & brought a volume of the H. Soc. Series

(c) Mr. Harold Johnson, Sec. of the Moral Education League suggesting that Mr. L. L. Wilson should give a specimen Moral Lesson at the Conference. Mrs. Parish was instructed to decline the offer, as the programme was already filled

(d) Education Congress at Toronto 1910, requesting that the Committee should send a subscription ^{of £50} to the funds. Mrs. Jones, who had already been appointed as delegate of the P.N.E.U., undertook to pay this subscription on behalf of the Union

(e) National Association of Nat. Payors, requesting that a delegate should be allowed their Conference in October. Mr. Franklin proposed, & it was unanimously agreed, that Mr. Desborough should be appointed as delegate.

(f) Mr. Walker, Charlotte Accountant, relieving his firm's charge of style to Maria Walker, &c.

(g) Mr. Langford, 2 Pall Mall, visiting the Committee to confer with her in the circulation of leaflets among well-to-do mothers, calling their attention to common habits of nervous

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that are detrimental to children. It was decided that it was inadvisable for the Committee to take such action.

(h) Mrs. Burt, 31 Bookham, re the collection of a gift for volumes of the H. Soc. Series.

(i) Mr. H. H. Brundage, that the P.N.E.U. had been honorably mentioned in a book being published by him on 'The Higher Education of Boys in England.'

Old Branches

Mrs. Parish announced that Mr. Heselden had resigned the Secretaryship of the Winchester branch & Mr. H. H. H. of the Bristol branch and that Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Cook had been appointed in their place. Mrs. Lytle had resigned the Secretaryship at Plymouth, but the work was being well carried on until the appointment of her successor.

Office News

Mrs. Parish reported that 24 new members against 7 resigns, 11 new subscriptions for Parents' Review against 3 discontinued. Donations & subscriptions to the Propaganda Fund, amounting to £13 9 6 had been received during the ^{past few} months. There had been 117 callers at the office & 174 trade calls.

The report of the Annual Meeting & of the Local Secretaries meeting were omitted owing to lack of time.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee was fixed for ^{the 11th} Oct. 5. Lytton

Next of next
Meeting

The Conference

Committee, 26 Victoria Street, S.W. July 14, 1909. Following the Committee meeting.

Present

The list of letters on the chair
 Mrs. Dunscombe
 Lady Duffell
 Mrs. H. L. Drantlin
 Mrs. Howard Glover
 Mrs. Kavanagh (Bellevue)

Mrs. Clement Parsons
 Mrs. Roper (Broadstone)
 Mrs. Wallis Hall
 Dr. Helen Smith

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. At closing out of the minutes, Mrs. Drantlin reported that the Bishop of Birmingham had readily fallen in with the suggestion that a special place should be engaged for his address, but that a hall had not yet been engaged; that Thursday evening was fixed for this meeting & that Mr. David had promised to take the chair; that refusal to speak had been received from Mr. Benson, Mr. Poley, & the Duchess of Sutherland; & that Mrs. Mrs. Carter was unable to take the chair. Mr. Oliver Lodge, being unable to speak on the preceding afternoon, had been invited by the Birmingham Committee to address the Monday evening meeting. This arrangement was fixed.

Subject to these alterations, with the omission of Mrs. H. L. Drantlin's proposed paper on "Scouting", the programme

remained unchanged

It was decided that Mr. L. H. Carter and that Dr. Waldstein, who Edwin Hays should be invited to fill other vacancies. At Mrs. Hays's suggestion, Mrs. Clement Parsons agreed also to contribute a paper. Mrs. Drantlin said that she had been promised a paper on the question of University education and colonial life from Mr. C. J. Heston of Montreal, which she suggested might follow the Bishop's address & be read by Mr. David.

It was decided that the programme should be made, if possible, by the beginning of October.

W. H. Kavanagh

16. 2. 1910

The Executive Committee 50 Porchester Terrace W. October 5th 1909. 3 1/2 p.m.

Present

The Earl of Lytton in the chair
The Hon Mrs Schomberg Byng
Mrs De la (Northwood)
The Hon Mrs Franklin
Mrs Howard Glover
Mrs Jordan Lloyd (Birmingham)

Mrs Kersey (Belgrave)
Mrs Longdon (Scribbleton)
Mrs Clement Parsons
Mr Robertson (Croydon)
Mr Roper (Bromleybury)
Mrs Whitaker Thompson

Dr Helen Webb Miss Parish (Secretary)

Apologies

Apologies were announced from Mrs Cadbury, Lady Campbell,
Mrs Jervoise, Lady Jeffery, Mr Haslam, Mrs Somerville and
Mrs Whyte.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

FinancialStatement

Balance at Bank	£85. 8. 0	Cowell, Reports	53. 9. 6
Cash in hand	56. 17. 2	Revisions	34. 0. 7
Balance outstanding	45. 13. 7	Stepan Paul, H. D. Series	16. 1. 2
		Mrs Mason, P.U.S. fees	45. 0. 0 (approx)
		Mrs Connolly, Rent	18. 10. 0
		Mrs Parish, Salary	11. 13. 4
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Correspondence

Letters were read as following:

- from Mrs Alston (Amsterdam, Transvaal) saying that she has written articles on the P.N.S.U. in two S. African journals.
- Sister Mary Fidelia (Plymouth) telling of a thank offering of 2/6 received from an artisan's wife, in gratitude for a Series of Talks with mothers held there in connection with the P.N.S.U.
- Mrs Dill Hale (Scarborough) expressing a wish for a group of Home School students for a day school, ^{which} she hoped to start a P.N.S.U. line, as she found the P.U.S. ^{work} so successful in her boarding school.
- National Federation of Nalafayers, relating to their Conference. The subject was not discussed, as the Conference had been indefinitely postponed.
- Mr L. Magnus (of Long, Rattlebury House) suggesting that the Parents Review would be improved & its usefulness enhanced if it were sent out with the edges cut. The Committee considered that this would be a great improvement & decided that the alteration should be made.

As arising out of this, Mrs Franklin suggested that advertisements should be included in future issues of the Annual Report; she thought that possibly some member of the Committee might be willing to undertake to get such advertisements forwarded. It was suggested that the matter might be put into the hands of the advertising agents who had charge of the advertisements in the Parents Review.

The question of the division of articles in the Review was

also discussed. A resolution was proposed by Mr. Stomberg to the effect that the Byg. & seconded by Mr. Jones to the effect that the Committee should ^{make known to} ~~express~~ the Editor their opinion that it was undesirable that articles published in the December number of the Review should be continued in the January number, in view of the inconvenience caused by the division of articles into two volumes when the Reviews were bound, & also of the fact that many new members joined in January, who would not have seen the first part of an article continued from the December Review. The resolution was put to the vote & carried unanimously. Mr. Stomberg offered suggestions as to the reading of papers at the Conference.

Duty & Discipline Series

Mr. Franklin pointed out that in the present issue of Completed in the "Duty & Discipline" Series the fact that her article on "The Early Training in Citizenship" could be obtained from the P.N.S.U. Office was announced in such a way that applications were constantly received at the Office for other articles of the Series. As this was considered to be undesirable, Miss Parish was instructed to write on behalf of the Committee ^{pointing out} ~~to explain~~ that as presented at present the particulars as to how the Series could be obtained was misleading, and urging that the matter should be made clear in any future issue of the Series.

Old Branches

Northwood Mr. Delgate reported that a very successful year had been held in the summer, at which Lady Campbell had spoken on the principles of the Union.

Croydon. Mr. Robertson said that it was felt that the Branch was too much dominated by the pedagogic element, that the principles of the Union as a whole were being lost sight of. Mr. Robertson promised to give an address to the Branch in the middle of February.

Birmingham. Mr. Jordan Lloyd said that members had been much helped in their knowledge of the principles of the Union by the ^{lecture} ~~course~~ of Six Talks given by Miss Parish.

New Branches

Miss Parish said that very well-attended meetings had been held at Newcastle and at Bormon, and that a Branch had been started in each place. At Newcastle there were already 23 members & at Bormon 16.

Miss Parish's Report

Miss Parish had also visited Huddersburgh, where there was now about forty members & the Branch was going on very successfully. The Dulwich Branch had been transferred to Home Hill, with the same Secretary & Committee, and she was giving her course of Six Talks there. She had also made personal visits to Huddersburgh and at Great Ayton, had lectured at Mr. Hargreaves' school at Huddersburgh and was about to give four demonstration lessons at Huddersburgh. She had cleared 9 names in her propaganda work at Huddersburgh.

During the month -

Final Conference Arrangements

Mrs Franklin announced that Lady Dighton had consented to take the chair on Nov. 18th for Dr. Waldstein. Mrs Jordan Lloyd said that she was approaching the Editor of the local newspapers with a view to their inserting notices of the Conference. She also said that five preliminary meetings had been arranged for three Parishes in the neighbouring districts. Mrs Franklin said that the National Home Reading Union were sending a representative to join in the discussion after Mrs. Hume Day's paper on Nov. 16th.

Office News

Mrs Purvis reported that there were 26 new members of the P.N.R.U. & 6 new subscribers to the Review, against 24 members & 4 subscribers to the Review discontinued. Three members had been transferred to local Branches. There had been 17 visitors & 215 trade calls at the Office during the month.

Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee was fixed for December 1st.

Katharine Day Roy

Local Secretaries' Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 16th, 1909, Birmingham

Present

The Hon. Mrs Franklin, in the chair.

Mrs S. G. Arnold

Mrs S. H. Badock (Bristol)

Mrs Seymour Benson (Birmingham)

Mrs Percy Bigland (Birmingham)

Mrs Caffer Johnson (Leeds)

Mrs Dietrich (Middlesbrough)

Mrs Delgale (Northwood)

Mrs Franklin (Hyde Park)

Mrs Spake (A. Ashville)

Mrs Jessie Hale (Croydon)

Mrs England Haslam (Reading)

Mrs H. Ben White (Birmingham)

Mrs Jordan Lloyd ()

Mrs Vailly (Derby)

Mrs McMaster (Brighton)

Mrs H. Morell (Oxford - Weymouth)

Mrs Fines (Bristol)

Mrs Blakely (Bristol)

Mrs Stuart Robertson (Croydon)

Mrs Robertson (Derby)

Mrs Fines (Bristol)

Mrs Somerville (Bristol)

Mrs Sturge ()

Mrs Watkinson (Bristol)

Mrs Helen Webb

Mrs Whitehead (Leeds)

Mrs Williams (Salisbury)

Mrs Wood White (Birmingham)

Mrs Finnerman (Salisbury)

Mrs Fines (Bristol)

2. The matter of localities where the population was a shifting one. Mrs Franklin said that good work could be done by arranging small drawing room meetings which Mrs Purvis could address. People interested might become members of the Central Office. A course of lectures might also be given, or it was a good plan to read & discuss articles from the British Times & paper and in conferences.

Miss Parry said that she was anxious to revise the present Lecturers List, & that she would be grateful if Branch Secretaries would send in fuller accounts of their lectures & if they would also give her particulars of any local persons who might be willing to lecture in their District. She asked for suggestions as to how the list might be made more useful. Mrs. Franklin suggested that the Branches might be willing to contribute towards the expense of printing a list, the subject having been discussed, Mr. Dryland Haslam moved a resolution

That a Lecturers' List be printed every year and that all Branch Secretaries be asked, when sending Capitation fees, to send 2/6 for such a list, which should be issued as early in the year as possible.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Jordan Lloyd & carried unanimously. They was considered a desirable time for receiving the list. In response to a question, Mrs. Franklin said that any lectures suggested must be provided for by the Secretaries. She thought it would be well if Branch Secretaries in neighbouring Districts would hold a local secretaries meeting before arranging their programmes, with the idea of sharing expenses when a lecturer came from a distance, by having the same lecture on consecutive days.

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The affiliation of P.M.U. Branches with local branches of the N.U.W.B. was discussed. Mrs. Hall (Compton) reported that her Committee was of the opinion that the fact that the N.U.W.B. had no men among its members made affiliation undesirable. It was pointed out that many of the societies already affiliated to the N.U.W.B. had a membership of both men & women, e.g. the Charity Organisation Society, & the Women's Industrial Council.

Mr. Hally (Bally) undertook to arrange a dinner with meeting for Mrs. Parry to address.

Mrs. Roper (Bromley) said that she had friends in Bromley whom she could interest if a Branch was started there.

The question of admitting newspaper reporters to meetings was mentioned. Mrs. Franklin thought that it would be good to send a card of invitation for each meeting to the principal newspapers.

There was also some discussion as to the different methods of electing Officers in the various Branches.

M. Hamilton

July 11. 1910